

Quarterly List of WGBX-TV Programming Providing the Most Significant Treatment of Community Issues - WGBX-TV (April-June 2011)

I. Education/Schools/Youth

To the Contrary, N 04/03/11, 7:30pm, 30 min.

Education reform expert Michelle Rhee wants to put students first.

Need To Know, N 04/24/11, 11am, 60 min.

Need to Know follows students at a Detroit middle school as they compete against students from around the city and more affluent suburbs in a national engineering contest to design the city of the future.

Need To Know, N 05/01/11, 11am, 60 min.

Need to Know is there as dozens of Chicago families wait in line for days and nights, attempting to win one of the limited spaces in a music school that provides free lessons to the lucky students who get in. The People's Music school is trying to fill the gap in music education left by budget cuts to public school music programs.

II. Housing/Urban Development

History Detectives, N 04/22/11, 6:00pm, 60 min.

A Union, New Jersey, resident has heard a strange story about his home: that it was designed and built by inventor Thomas Edison. But Edison is known for inventing the motion-picture camera, electric lighting and wireless telegraphy, not house construction. History detective and architectural historian Gwen Wright investigates and discovers a surprising story of technological innovation, failed inventions and an approach to housing that was 30 years ahead of its time.

Need to Know, N 04/24/11, 9pm, 60 min.

This episode follows one homeowner, whose family was forced to abandon their home, and has taken her case all the way to Congress.

OLMSTED AND AMERICA'S URBAN PARKS, N 04/29/11, 7:30pm, 60 min.

One-hundred and fifty-one years after Frederick Law Olmsted (1822-1903) designed New York City's Central Park with Calvert Vaux, it remains an undisputed haven of tranquility amid one of the largest, tallest and most unnatural places in the world. Narrated by actress Kerry Washington, the program examines the visionary urban planner and landscape architect who brought nourishing green spaces to New York, Boston, Chicago, San Francisco, Atlanta, Louisville and dozens of other U.S. cities.

III. Public Safety/Crime/Justice

Frontline, N 04/07/11, 10pm, 60 min.

Why would four innocent men confess to a brutal crime they didn't commit? Ofra Bikel investigates the conviction of four sailors for the rape and murder of a Norfolk, Virginia, woman in 1997. In interviews with the sailors, Bikel learns of some of the high-pressure police interrogation techniques, including the threat of the death penalty, sleep deprivation and intimidation, that led each of the "Norfolk Four" to confess, despite any evidence linking them to the crime.

Need To Know, N 05/01/11, 11am, 60 min.

Alison Stewart sits down with New York Times reporter Louise Story to discuss why, in the aftermath of the financial crisis that generated hundreds of billions in losses, no high-profile participants in the disaster been criminally prosecuted or jailed.

Frontline, N 05/19/11, 10pm, 60 min.

Frontline, in association with The Oregonian, investigates the ongoing meth problem in America: the devastating impact on individuals, families and communities and the state-by-state battles to make pseudoephedrine a prescription drug, a strategy that's led to significant improvement in Oregon.

IV. Needs of Special Interest Groups

To The Contrary With Bonnie Erbe, N 04/10/11, 7:30am, 30 min.

A new report predicts white Americans will be the minority by the end of the decade.

To The Contrary With Bonnie Erbe, N 06/19/11, 7:30am, 30 min.

Catholic University of Washington announces that all residence halls will return to same-sex housing in order to lessen the culture of binge drinking and casual sex.

A Place To Live: The Story Of Triangle Square, N 06/26/11, 9:00pm, 60 min.

What does it mean to be a gay senior citizen trying to survive on limited resources in America? The program explores this issue by chronicling the development and construction of Triangle Square Hollywood in Hollywood, California - the country's first affordable housing facility for LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) seniors.

V. Employment/Unemployment/Poverty

Appalachia: A History Of Mountains And People, N 04/08/11, 11:00pm, 60 min.

Early 20th-century mineral barons ruled Appalachia with an iron fist. Company spies tracked miners' every move. If they found a man's union card, he would be fired, even killed. Inspired by a brave little old lady who talked like a preacher and cursed like a sailor, mineworkers organized and demanded better treatment. The dams of the Tennessee Valley Authority drowned ancestral homesteads, but the project eliminated abject poverty for thousands.

Independent Lens, N 04/21/11, 9:00pm, 90 min.

Brazilian artist Vik Muniz creates portraits of people using found materials from the places where they live and work. His Sugar Children series portrays the deprived children of Caribbean plantation workers using the sugar their parents harvest. We meet Muniz as he embarks on his next project, inspired by the trash pickers at the largest landfill on earth.

To The Contrary With Bonnie Erbe, N 05/01/11, 7:30am, 30 min.

The 2012 Budget & Child Poverty: A look at how the upcoming federal budget could impact the country's poor children.

VI. Environment/Ecology

American Masters, N 04/24/11, 7:30pm, 90 min

Nearly a century after his death, John Muir is remembered and revered as the father of the environmental movement, the father of conservation, and the founder of the Sierra Club. Filmed throughout the majestic, breathtaking landscapes and wilderness traveled by Muir those many years ago, this documentary places our nation's most important asset in a cultural and social context. Muir's story could not be a more timely reminder of America's unique and, ultimately, threatened ecosystem.

Saving The Bay, N 04/26/11, 5:00am, 60 min.

Narrated by Robert Redford, this award-winning documentary explores one of America's greatest natural resources - San Francisco Bay. Shot in high definition, Saving The Bay consists of four one-hour episodes focusing on the geological, cultural, and developmental history of San Francisco Bay and the larger northern California watershed, from the Sierra Nevada mountains to the Farallon Islands in the Pacific Ocean. The series explores the Bay's evolution, how it was almost lost to development, and plans for the future, including wetland restoration, increased public access, and balancing the often competing needs of a fragile ecosystem that is the centerpiece of a major urban area.

The Journey To Palomar, N 04/27/11, 9:30pm, 90 min.

The story of American astronomer George Ellery Hale's dramatic public and private struggle to build the four largest telescopes in the world, which set the stage for astronomy and space exploration throughout the 20th century, revealing the greatest discoveries since Galileo and Copernicus.

VII. Medical and Mental Health/Social Services

Frontline, N 04/30/11, 2:30pm, 60 min

Every day nearly 7,000 people die in America. And when these deaths happen suddenly, or under suspicious circumstances, we assume there will be a thorough investigation, just like we see on CSI. But the reality is very different. In over 2,000 counties across America, elected coroners, many with no medical or scientific background, are in charge of death investigations.

Frontline, N 06/02/11, 1:30pm, 60 min

High school football has never had a higher profile, with nationally televised games, corporate sponsorships and minute-by-minute coverage on sports websites. In Arkansas, FRONTLINE documents a tragic story of heatstroke injuries that reveal how weak regulation has created a crucial lack of athletic trainers at most high schools. It all raises a critical question: has the amped-up culture of high school football outrun necessary protections for the boys who play the game?

Road to Perfect Health with Brenda Watson, N 06/19/11, 11:00am, 90 min.

We all know the saying, "All roads lead to Rome." Well, according to digestive care expert, Brenda Watson, they all lead to the digestive system - at least where our health is concerned. In her new pledge show, The Road to Perfect Health with Brenda Watson, Brenda shows us how all health ailments can be linked to an imbalance in the digestive system. With over 20 years experience helping people overcome health challenges, Ms. Watson has been able to help people return to health - whether they suffer from typical digestive problems or chronic fatigue - by balancing the good and bad bacteria in their gut.

VIII. Economy/Business

Nightly Business Report, N 04/01-06/30/11, 7:00pm, 30 min.

This series airs every weeknight. The program combines fast-breaking business and economic news, extensive financial market coverage, in-depth analysis, corporate profiles, features and commentaries by noted economists and business experts.

Moneytrack, N 04/01-06/30/11, 8:00am, 30 min.

This series airs weekly. It aims to educate and inspire investors and consumers to take greater control over their financial lives. The series features location stories about investing, personal finances and tips for avoiding common investment scams. The 13-part series also addresses the needs and concerns of underserved communities with regular in-depth features about first-time and minority homeowners, new technologies developed for the impaired, finding college scholarships, grants and other financial aid, and many other related topics.

Frontline, N 06/23/11, 10:00pm, 60 min.

In the mid-1960s, Bernard Madoff tapped money from Jewish businessmen at exclusive country clubs with the promise of steady guaranteed returns on their investments. He then set his sights on Europe and Latin America, brokering deals with powerful hedge fund managers and feeder funds from Buenos Aires to Geneva. Billions of dollars were channeled to Madoff's investment firm, and his feeders became fabulously wealthy. FRONTLINE producers Martin Smith and Marcela Gaviria unravel the story behind the world's first truly global Ponzi scheme-a deception that lasted longer, reached wider, and cut deeper than any other business scandal in history.

IX. Family/Morality/Religion

Need To Know, N 04/24/11, 11am, 60 min.

Jon Meacham comments on the controversy in some Christian communities over an evangelical minister's book, which questions the existence of hell.

Forgiveness: A Time To Love & A Time To Hate, N 04/42/11, 9:00pm, 90 min.

This series will examine complexities and contradictions of forgiveness as well as the public and private aspects of the concept of forgiveness as it relates to religious belief, personal conduct and society through case studies.

The film covers a wide range of stories from infidelity to genocide. Among them: the extraordinary forgiveness of the Amish after their neighbor killed nine young Amish girls; a young woman's discovery that 20 years after a vicious attack it was anger, not forgiveness, that saved her; the shattering of a family after the mother abandons her children and returns seeking forgiveness; and the atonement of a 60's radical for killing a Boston policeman.

Jerusalem: Center Of The World, N 04/03/11, 9:00pm, 90 min.

Jerusalem is arguably one of the most fascinating and complicated cities in the world. This program draws on religious texts, the science of archaeology and oral traditions passed on through millennia to try to determine why this small city has occupied the minds of so many for so long. Host Ray Suarez leads viewers to the holiest sites of Judaism, Christianity and Islam - on the land, from the sky and underground.

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